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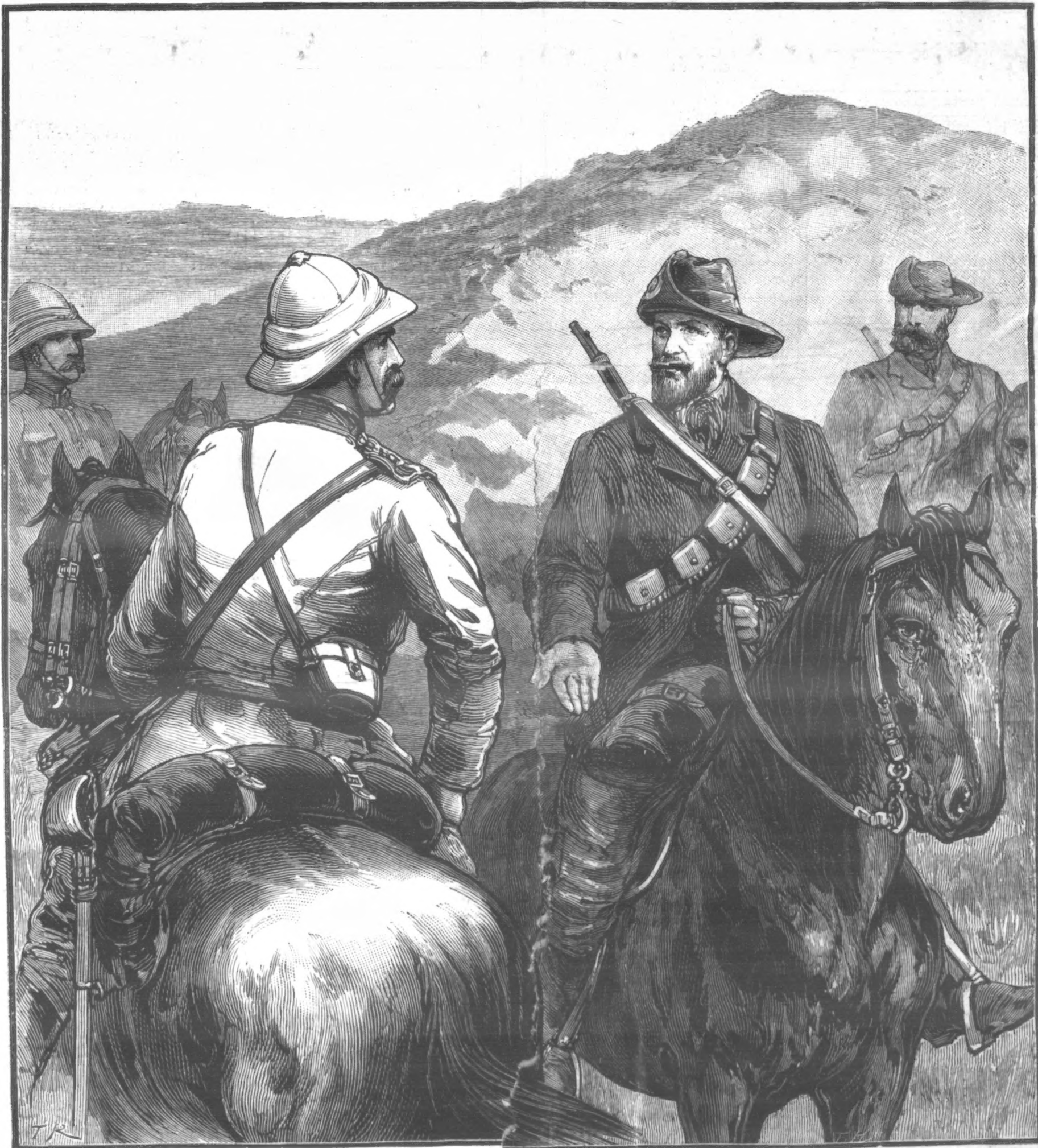
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Talk of London.

THE ROYAL VOYAGE.

THE far-seeing wisdom of Her late Majesty was signally displayed in the gracious message conveying to our true and trusty brethren across the seas (who have sealed their kinship with their blood) that the then Duke of York would be delegated to open the first Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth. It is one of the strongest proofs of King Edward's devotion to duty that His Majesty should allow that engagement to hold good, despite the fact that he must naturally have wished to retain his well-loved son by his side for the opening months of his reign. The public, on its side, heartily wishes

Godspeed to the Gallant Sailor Prince

and his fair wife, who on Saturday, the 16th of March, depart from Portsmouth in the magnificent Royal yacht *Ophir* for their long cruise. A happy and thoroughly united couple, Prince George and Princess May, to give the names by which they were formerly so well known, felicitously embody in themselves all those

pass Friday night on board the *Victoria and Albert*, moored close by the *Ophir*, in order to be as near the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York as possible till the moment for adieux should come. A bright little figure in that Royal farewell group is bound to be brisk



CAPTAIN WINSLOE,
COMMANDING THE ROYAL YACHT "OPHIR."

and intelligent young Prince Edward of York, who will, with his brother and sister, be the special care of the King and Queen till the glad return of their parents to England.

H.M.S. "Ophir" and Her Commander.

The Duke of Cornwall and York, who has worked hard and zealously in every clime at his profession, and proved himself a good navigator and thorough sailor, right well deserves his rank of Rear-Admiral in His Majesty's Navy. A well-qualified Captain himself, His Royal Highness has, with the Admiralty to back him, taken

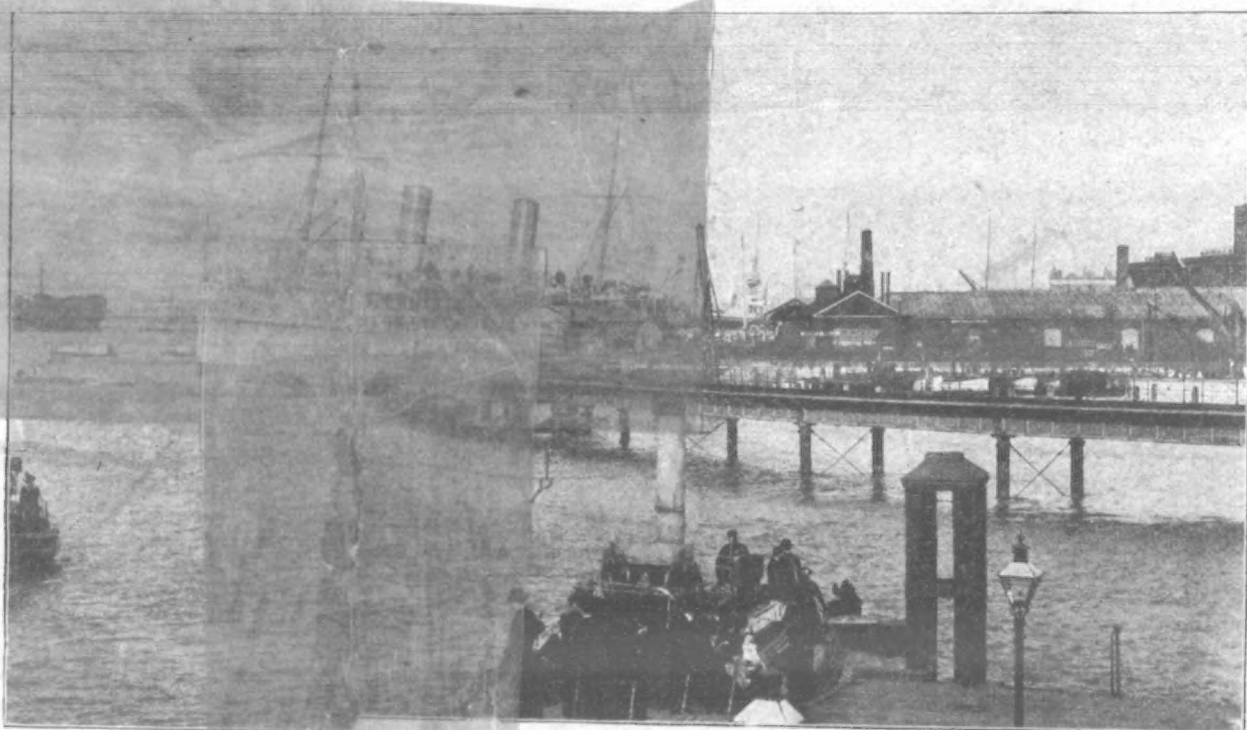
which we shall all be presently wishing *Ben* voyage.

The twin-screw steam-ship *Ophir*, when run by the Orient Company as a passenger-boat to and from Australia, proved herself quite worthy the precious freight to be entrusted to her. Remarkable for comfort and seaworthiness, the *Ophir* had only to be adapted for its present Imperial purpose to prove one of the superb, best and most commodious Royal Yachts afloat.

The *Ophir* is indeed a floating palace most luxuriously appointed, as befits the representatives of the King and Queen of England. The splendid vessel is so divided by watertight bulkheads as to be as safe as it is possible to make a ship. She has a length of 482 ft., is of over 53 ft. beam, and 6910 tons register, is of 10,000-horse power, and has a speed of eighteen knots. The Orient Company has spared nothing to get the *Ophir* ready in time under the skilful supervision of the Admiralty's Transport Department, ably represented by Captain F. J. Pitt, R.N.; and it is but fair to mention that the decoration and furnishing have been admirably done by Messrs. S. J. Waring and Sons. The Royal apartments, drawing-room, dining-saloon, writing-rooms, and smoking-room all communicate with one another, avoiding the necessity of passing on to an open deck. There is a select library of 600 volumes to choose from. Of remarkable interest are the pictures in the Royal bed-room. The photograph of her late Majesty with the children of the Duke and Duchess in 1900 cannot be regarded without melancholy. But the bright portrait of Queen Alexandra carrying Prince Edward of York, and the likenesses of King Edward and of the Royal Family generally, turn thoughts into a cheerful channel, and must be a source of abiding solace to Their Royal Highnesses on their long voyage.

Route of H.M.S. "Ophir."

From Gibraltar and Malta, the first stopping-places of the *Ophir*, gratifying news comes of the preparations being made to accord the Royal



H.M.S. "OPHIR" AT THE FARWELL JETTY, PORTSMOUTH (WITH ONE OF HER ESCORTS, THE "JUNO"), DUCHESS OF CORNWALL EMBARK FOR THEIR AUSTRALIAN VOYAGE.

estimable qualities of amiability, good-nature, and perfect courtesy which have deservedly gained for King Edward and Queen Alexandra, and for all the descendants of Queen Victoria, the love and attachment of a loyal People. The winning, sailor-like nature of the Duke of Cornwall and York is not unknown in Australia. Doubtlessly deeming a voyage round the world the best practical education youth could possess, have, His Majesty had his sons trained on board the *Britannia*, and sent them as Midshipmen in H.M.S. *Bacchante* to Australasia and the Pacific (as recounted in an interesting and seasonably illustrated article in this week's *Sketch*). Many of the friends Prince George with his lamented brother, the Duke of Clarence, made then in Australia will, in all probability, be among the foremost to welcome the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York on their landing from the *Ophir*, which is represented at the jetty of Portsmouth Dockyard awaiting their Royal Highnesses' arrival. The affection of the King and Queen for their noble Sailor-son is well known, and it is, accordingly, not surprising that their Majesties should have determined to

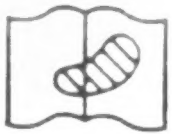
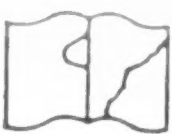
every care, it may be depended upon, that the officers and crew of the *Ophir* shall be first-class in every respect. It was indispensable that the greatest care should have been exercised in this direction, as it is no exaggeration to say that the safety of the *Ophir* will for several months to come be a matter very near the heart of every Briton. Commodore Alfred Leigh Winsloe is in every respect worthy the trust reposed in him. He is forty-nine. Entering the Royal Navy in 1865, he served in the Egyptian War of 1882 (when Lord Charles Beresford distinguished himself so much in the plucky little *Condor*). 1890 found Captain Winsloe doing good service with Admiral Sir E. R. Fremantle's punitive expedition in East Africa against the Sultan of Vitu. He next did useful work of another kind, requiring a great amount of tact and discrimination, in drawing the boundary of the Portuguese and Chartered Company's territory in 1891. He commanded the British Ironclad *Spartan* in Chinese waters during the Sino-Japanese War, and he has since been in command of the Royal yacht *Victoria and Albert* and of H.M.S. *Niebo*. A comrade of his in the *Victoria and Albert*, Commander Roslyn Wemyss, has been on as second in command of the *Ophir*, to

voyagers the heartiest of receptions. It will be seen from the subjoined official list that the Duke and Duchess, starting from Portsmouth to-day, are not expected home till the 1st of November next—

LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Portsmouth, March 16	Gibraltar, March 20
Gibraltar, March 22	Malta, March 26
Malta, March 27	Port Said, March 30
Port Said, March 31	Suez, April 1
Suez, April 1	Aden, April 5
Aden, April 6	Colombo, April 12
Colombo, April 16	Singapore, April 21
Singapore, April 23	Melbourne, May 6
Melbourne, May 16	Brisbane, May 20
Brisbane, May 25	Sydney, May 27
Sydney, June 6	Auckland, June 11
Auckland, June 16	Wellington, June 18
Wellington, June 21	Lyttelton, June 22
Lyttelton, June 24	Dunedin, June 25
Dunedin, June 27	Hobart, July 2
Hobart, July 7	Adelaide, July 10
Adelaide, July 15	Fremantle, July 20
Fremantle, July 25	Mauritius, Aug. 5
Mauritius, Aug. 8	Durban, Aug. 13
Durban, Aug. 15	Simonstown, Aug. 17
Cape Town, Aug. 22	Ascension, Aug. 29
Ascension, Aug. 31	St. Vincent, Sept. 5
St. Vincent, Sept. 5	Halifax, Sept. 15
Halifax, Sept. 17	Quebec, Sept. 20
Quebec, Oct. 17	St. John's, Oct. 22
St. John's, Oct. 25	Portsmouth, Nov. 1

H.M.S. *St. George* and the *Diadem* will escort the *Ophir* to "Gib." and the *Juno* and *Niebo* will take up the running from Gibraltar to Malta and on to Australia via the Red Sea and Colombo.

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The King's Civil List.

which is being considered by the Select Committee appointed last Monday by the Commons, is certain to be an ample one. There can be "no possible, probable doubt whatever" that the Ministerial proposals will (to quote the apt words of Sir Michael Hicks Beach) be so framed that "the taxpayers of this country will not grudge in the smallest degree to provide adequately and properly for the dignity and comfort of a monarch who has been always personally popular among us, and who by his every act and word since his accession has shown his desire and capacity worthily to tread in the footsteps of the best and most-beloved Queen that this Empire has ever had." Nor will the nation be

that the pourparlers were most hopeful. "The meeting on Feb. 27 was limited to a request on the part of General Botha to know the terms Lord Kitchener would grant to the Boers if they laid down their arms. Lord Kitchener replied that a general amnesty would be granted to all who surrendered, as well as to all prisoners, except those Cape Dutch who, while actually subject to the British Crown, had been most active in fomenting the Boer resistance. General De Wet and ex-President Steyn, however, were expressly excluded from the amnesty. Lord Kitchener further promised that in the event of peace being concluded, the British Government would assist in rebuilding the farmhouses and other buildings which had been destroyed owing to military

Roberts, said Mr. Brodrick, had decided that the appointment of these Divisional Commanders should be for three instead of five years. At Aldershot there are to be included in the Infantry four Battalions of the Guards. Well-ventilated Salisbury Plain would be the quarters of the Second Army Corps; Ireland of the third, Colchester the fourth, York the fifth, and Edinburgh the sixth. Field-guns would be given to the Volunteers and Militia, which would be trained with the last three Army Corps. The Militia would be raised to a strength of 150,000 and the Imperial Yeomanry to 35,000. Result, total increase of 120,000 men, at a cost of three millions. Two hundred 4.7 guns are to be ordered. Such was the pith of Mr. Brodrick's



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CORNWALL AND YORK.

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ungenerous to the "Queen-Consort, who, ever since she came among us from her Northern home, has charmed the hearts of the people, and who is pre-eminently possessed of all those qualities that can most adorn the social centre of the Empire."

The Peace Negotiations.

Everyone who read the auspicious news that Lord Kitchener and General Botha had met to discuss terms of Peace must have hoped most fervently that their negotiations would lead to the close of the War. It is reported that Mrs. Botha, the wife of the Boer Commander-in-Chief, was the first harbinger of Peace. It is certain that she left Pretoria, and it is thought to have been on the humane mission to prevail upon her husband to abandon the hopeless struggle. Following quickly on the intelligence that Sir Alfred Milner had left Cape Town for Pretoria came the newspaper despatch that Kitchener and Botha had held the momentous interview at Middelburg on Feb. 27. A second meeting took place on Gun Hill. General Botha rode in alone; and Lord Kitchener rode out, accompanied only by his private secretary, to meet him. It was learnt with intense satisfaction

necessities, and would reinstate the lawful owners, helping them to stock their farms; those who had been guilty of acts of treachery, however, being excluded from these benefits. The result of General Botha's consultation with his officers was that the vast majority of these accepted the terms, but De Wet and Steyn declined any terms whatsoever."

The Army Reform Scheme

unfolded by Mr. St. John Brodrick in the House of Commons on March 8, and listened to intently by Earl Roberts, the Commander-in-Chief, from the Peers' Gallery, cannot be said to be wholly adequate. But the people have it in their power to make up for the insufficiency of the Ministerial proposals by sending hosts of Volunteers to swell the ranks of the Reserved Forces, and fresh battalions of recruits to strengthen the Regulars. The Secretary for War put forward Army Estimates amounting to close upon £88,000,000 sterling. Apart from the War in South Africa, he asked for nearly £30,000,000 in round numbers. At home the country is to be looked after by six Army Corps, each commanded by Generals who would lead their respective Divisions in case of War. Lord

clear statement, in making which, and in his cogent summing up of the General Colville case last Monday, he displayed considerable ability.

The Few Refractory M.P.'s

from the Emerald Isle who on Tuesday se'n-night, March 5, took part in a farcical scene unfamiliar to the House of Commons, provided town with a regrettable subject for gossip; but the excitement caused by the unseemly disturbance was speedily allayed by Mr. Balfour a few hours after. The House was in Committee on the Civil Service Estimates (amounting to upwards of seventeen millions), and Mr. Balfour found it necessary to bring the closure into operation to secure the various votes. "Gag" and "Shame," cried some of the Irish Nationalist members, who refused to move from their seats to go to a division. In the end, the Police had to be called in, and a few of the resisting members had to be carried out. Among those suspended from the service of the House were MM. Flavin, Crean, Cullinan, White, McHugh, Landon, Gilhooly, McGovern, and Captain Donelan. A new rule was subsequently passed to the effect that members thus offending in future should be suspended for the rest of the Session.

"Mamma," at the Criterion,

is one of the most amusing farces imaginable. The fun turns on the difficulty of keeping pace with an aggressive mother-in-law, who makes the life of a young couple unendurable. In fact, the husband gets up a sham divorce in order to get rid of his wife's Mamma. Ultimately he marries again; but with no better fortune, for his father-in-law takes a fancy to his former mother-in-law, marries her, and Mamma becomes once more the most prominent figure in the household. These incidents, elaborated with other funny scenes, supply ample food for mirth, the performers being fully equal to their task. Mr. Arthur Bouchier, Mr. George Giddens, Mr. Ernest Hendrie, with charming Miss Ethel Matthews, pretty Miss Beatrice Forbes-Robertson—a niece of Mr. Forbes-Robertson, a granddaughter of Mr. Joseph Knight, and a welcome new-comer on the London stage—and that excellent comic actress, Mrs. Charles Calvert, make the most of their respective characters. The dialogue of Mr. Sydney Grundy is cleverly adapted from "Les Surprises de Divorce" of MM. Bisson and Mars. The droll situations, if at times improbable, excite the merriest laughter; and "Mamma" is certain to enjoy a prolonged career at the Criterion.

The Run of "Henry V."

ends this (Saturday) afternoon at the Lyceum; and next Monday MM. Lewis Waller and Mollison start on a suburban and provincial tour, which deserves to be eminently successful.

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HOW THE WORLD WAGS.

THE WEDDING DAY OF OUR KING AND QUEEN.—The bells of Windsor were rung last Sunday in celebration of the thirty-eighth anniversary of the marriage of the King and Queen. Their Majesties, with Princess Victoria, the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, and Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark, attended Divine service in the morning at the Chapel Royal, St. James's. Princess Louise (Duchess of Fife), with the Duke of Fife, lunched with Their Majesties, who, accompanied by Princess Victoria and Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark, dined with the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York at York House on Sunday evening.

The King held a Privy Council at Marlborough House on Saturday last, when a number of members of the late Queen's Privy Council were re-sworn. His Majesty also performed the old ceremony of pricking for Sheriffs.

His Majesty was pleased, at the Privy Council on Saturday, to signify his approval of the appointment of His Royal Highness Prince Charles of Denmark to be an honorary Lieutenant in His Majesty's Navy.

The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York were present last Saturday afternoon at the christening of the infant daughter of the Hon. Derek and Mrs. Keppel in the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, and Their Royal Highnesses stood as sponsors.

The Young Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha (the Duke of Albany) has been invited by the German Emperor to spend his Easter holidays at the Imperial Castle at Berlin, in order to visit it, in the company of the Princes of his own age, the various important public institutions of the capital, and to acquaint himself with their organisation.

A Distinctly Popular Appointment.—Dr. Winnington-Ingram is to be London's new Bishop, and King Edward's appointment has been received with genuine cordiality by all sections of the "Church militant." The

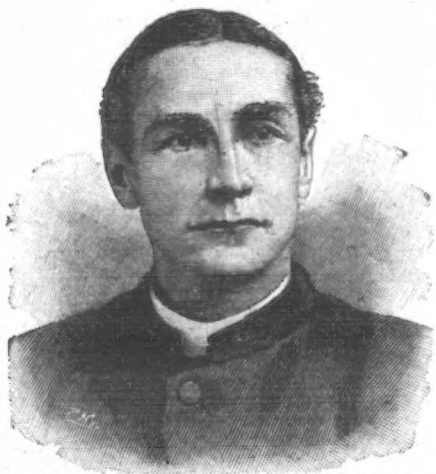


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DR. ARTHUR FOLEY WINNINGTON-INGRAM,
BISHOP OF LONDON.

new Bishop of the Metropolis enjoyed quite as much popularity as Suffragan-Bishop of Stepney as did the late Dr. Pulling as Bishop of Bedford and the successor of Dr. Walsham How. Dr. Winnington-Ingram became Head of Oxford House, Bethnal Green, as long ago as the year 1889, and his name has ever been associated with some of the most striking developments of this remarkable institution. He will be the first bachelor Bishop of London who has occupied Fulham Palace for many

years. It was announced in 1899 that he was to marry Lady Ulrica Duncombe, the youngest of the four beautiful daughters of the Earl of Feversham, but for some reason the engagement was broken off. The secret of Dr. Winnington-Ingram's success is not far to seek. The motto that he has always impressed on fellow-workers is, "Don't be afraid to be human," and his splendid work in the East-End was achieved on this admirable basis. An intensely human man, he, of course, won the hearts of the thousands of weary men and women of that neighbourhood, and now his name is a household word in their homes. "One of us" they rightly call him.

Great Fire Near London Bridge.—A disastrous fire, which handicapped the firemen in an extraordinary manner, and was attended by many exciting incidents, broke out on Saturday morning in the large hop-warehouse of Messrs. Horsley and Co., at the corner of Mellor Street and Fenning Street.

Mellor Street and Fenning Street are narrow thoroughfares, with very small and old two-storey dwellings facing the hop-warehouses. There was a great deal of excitement and dismay among the occupants when they saw the blaze so close to them. Water flooded their premises, soaking through the roofs and bringing down the ceilings, and at one time was knee-deep on the ground-floors, which are on a lower level than the street. As soon, however, as the people could be got out they were collected in a school-room at the back, which was opened for them by Father Butler, Roman Catholic priest, who also thoughtfully provided tea for the women.

Commander Wells directed the efforts of the firemen. Fortunately the flames were prevented from spreading to any great extent. From the first, however, the hop-warehouse was doomed. The place blazed furiously until, between eleven and twelve o'clock, wall after wall collapsed, bringing down the roof. The greater part of the debris fell into Mellor Street, and quite choked it for a time, for with the ruins of the building came down an immense number of pockets of hops, which formed one huge heap extending across the narrow roadway.

Four Firemen had an exceedingly narrow escape from being crushed to death. When the wall facing Mellor Street fell over, bringing part of the roof with it, the masonry struck one of the small houses, completely demolishing the whole of the top part. The four firemen who were on the roof at the time were unable to save themselves, and fell with the ruins, in which they were almost completely buried. No time was lost in extricating them, and, under the belief that they were either dead or seriously injured, they were hurried off to Guy's Hospital—some ten minutes' walk away. There, however, it was found that they were suffering mainly from shock; otherwise their injuries were remarkably slight.

The Destruction of Property was very great. The hop-warehouse seemed quite destroyed, but after the fire was overcome nothing could be seen of the ground-floor, as the ruins were deeply covered in hops up to the second storey. Very extensive damage was done to the small tenement property in both streets, mainly by the water, with which most of the houses were flooded. Nothing could be ascertained as to the cause of the outbreak. All Sunday crowds of people went to see the ruins, which presented a most unusual appearance. The street was still blocked, only a tortuous footpath, which had been made through the debris, existing to allow the residents to pass to and from their houses.

A Hearty Appreciation of Christian De Wet as a man and as a leader is given in the *Daily Mail* by Mr. James Barnes, and one of his considerate actions described is illustrated below. "Captain Corbally, who was in charge of the big transport train which was captured en route to the relief of the Highland Brigade under General MacDonald, told me something of De Wet's personality. According to the Captain, he was most kindly and just. He had his men well in hand, and they respected and feared him. The officers, as was customary with the English Army, possessed in common what was known as a me-s-cart, a light wagon or two-wheeled trap, capable of carrying some six or seven hundred pounds, and usually laden with delicacies not down on the ration list. As the Boers were examining their capture, which was some fifty or sixty wagons, they came upon this valuable prize. But upon hearing that it belonged to the officers and was their private possession, General De Wet put a guard over it, and not a thing was touched. That very day, as the officers were lunching on jam and pickles and pâté-de-foie-gras, they observed one or two men squatted about a fire near by, frying some bully-beef in



THE GREAT FIRE AT A HOP WAREHOUSE NEAR LONDON BRIDGE
LAST SATURDAY.

a skillet. It was General De Wet's headquarters mess, and one of the Englishmen at once went over and asked the General if he would not come and lunch with them. At first he declined, but upon all his staff being included in the invitation, he accepted and joined them. Strange to say, the conversation was not about war, but of farming and the possibilities of irrigation. Later, however, he expressed some of his views to one of his prisoners. He said that he knew the Boers had no chance of being victorious, but he intended to do his best 'to make it the most expensive war England ever attempted.' He has pretty well fulfilled his threat by this time.

Mr. St. John Brodrick, in bringing forward his long-promised scheme of Army Reform, made an unexpectedly good speech, and suggested much of practical value, though the country seems cynically inclined to wait and see whether his proposals are to be carried out in full before rushing into applause, mindful of many past disappointments, and there is also the question raised as to whether they are altogether as practicable, and certain to



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THE RIGHT HON. ST. JOHN BRODRICK, M.P.,
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OF ARMY REFORM.

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The Militia is to be increased from 100,000 to 150,000 by a special small allowance of 4d. a day to those who join a Militia Reserve, and thus the extra men are to be raised without any recruiting. Seventy county regiments of



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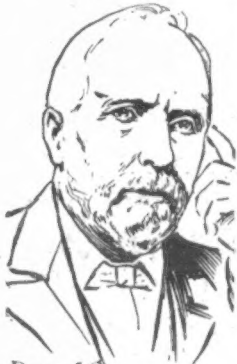
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In Addition to this better organisation, increase of numbers, and a proper force for home defence, Mr. Brodrick promised more long-range artillery, more mounted troops, a reformation of the medical and transport services, better trained officers, less barrack-square drill and more manoeuvres, with special attention to be paid to musketry, shooting, and individuality.

President of the Free Church Federation. This new and highly successful Nonconformist organisation is fortunate in having secured for its next President the Rev. J. G. Greenough, the well-known Baptist minister of Leicester, the retiring President being the Rev. C. H. Kelly (Wesleyan). During the current week the annual meetings have been held at Cardiff, and were largely attended by representatives from all parts of the country. In Mr. Greenough the Federation has secured the services of a very popular Nonconformist. He is undoubtedly one of the best all-round men in the Baptist denomination. As a preacher he has conspicuous ability, while as an administrator his capacity has long been recognised. During last year no fewer than eighty-seven new councils were formed—a striking advance on the record of the previous year, when the formation of forty-four councils was reported at Sheffield. The primary work of these councils is spiritual. Quite apart from the great Simultaneous Mission just held, united services and missions are held continually throughout the year.



REV. J. G. GREENOUGH

The Woman in Disguise.—The extraordinary case of the man-woman named Catherine Coome, who was described as being sixty-six years of age, and a house-decorator by trade, with no fixed home, and was charged on a warrant with obtaining four different sums of money by false pretences, with intent to defraud Mrs. Emma Lockyer, of Tavistock Crescent, Paddington, came before Mr. Curtis Bennett at Marylebone Police-Court on Saturday. It is stated that the accused, who appeared before the Court bearing every resemblance to a male person, has personated a man for forty years, and has worked both as a captain's cook on a P. and O. liner and a painter and decorator with various West-End firms without her real sex being discovered. The most extraordinary incident circulated of her remarkable career was that after leaving the P. and O. liner she married Lady Campbell's maid and lived with her for fourteen years at Huddersfield. She was now accused of obtaining the sums of 10s., 20s., 15s., and 5s. from her lady's managers by falsely representing that she was



CATHERINE COOME.

ENGLAND v SCOTLAND AT BLACKHEATH.



SCOTLAND
SIMPLY MADE RINGS
ROUND ENGLAND

See "The World of Pastime."

coming into a life annuity of £700 from her cousin, which was to be paid to her by Lawyer Azue through Messrs. Barclay, Bevan, and Co.'s Bank, Lombard Street. The magistrate sentenced prisoner to four months' hard labour.

Fashionable Weddings.—The wedding of the Hon. Ivo Francis Byng (second son of the Earl of Strafford) and Miss A. C. Travers was solemnised at the Chapel Royal, Savoy, on Tuesday afternoon. At St. Michael's, Chester Square, the same afternoon, the marriage of Lord Deedes and Miss Maria Gertrude Willoughby (the late Sir J. P. Willoughby's younger daughter) attracted a large congregation.

A Healthy London Suburb.—Easily accessible from town, a township particularly desirable to live in has sprung up near Sydenham. The bright and healthy new urban district of Penge, formerly a hamlet in the Metropolitan area, is singularly fortunate in being able to congratulate itself on its low death-rate for the last quarter, which stood at the satisfactory figure of 10 per 1000. This will compare favourably with any district in the country

having a similar or larger population. Having a world of varied amusement close at its doors in the ever-attractive Crystal Palace, this year to be more popular than ever by reason of its grand Military Exhibition, Penge well merits its recent distinction and its popularity as a place of residence. I only hope the Penge authorities will not do as many Councils have done, and out on the constable.

Cape Mail-Boat Ashore.—In thick weather, but a smooth sea, the Union Castle liner *Kinfauns Castle* went ashore on Shingles Bank, north-west of the Needles Light-house, at one o'clock on Monday afternoon. The tugs were at once sent to her assistance, under the command of Captain Hay, of the company's Southampton marine staff, and succeeded in floating off the vessel at two o'clock on Tuesday morning. Homeward bound from the Cape, which she left on Feb. 21, the *Kinfauns Castle* had already been somewhat longer than usual over her voyage, having been expected at Southampton at six o'clock on Monday morning. She is one of the newest mail-boats belonging to the company, and was only put on the service a year and a half ago.



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Swimming ought to be taught far more thoroughly than it is both in the Army and Navy of Great Britain. Note how useful swimming was to the venturesome Boers General Christian De Wet led. We have it on the authority of Mr. Bennet Burleigh, the Special War Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, and one of the manliest of the gallant company of London Press Representatives who too often have to risk their lives with no other guerdon but the knowledge of Duty well and faithfully done, that, in recrossing the Orange River at the end of February, the Boers stripped and swam across. According to Reuter's Special Service man: "Nine of Nesbitt's Horse, under Sergeant-Major Sarworth, saw the Boers, 1500 strong, cross the Orange River at Lilliefontein, near Colesberg Bridge. The current washed the Boers a considerable way down the river, but they, nevertheless, managed to take five Cape carts, one horse-wagon, and two ambulances over. Nesbitt's Horse, who had splendid cover, fired upon them while they were in the water, and caused considerable dismay among them. After they had all crossed, Nesbitt's Horse went down to the river and found five carts on this side, also the clothes of a number of men, who were seen on the other side riding off naked, or nearly so. These probably expected to be able to return for their clothes and to remount their carts, but upon Nesbitt's Horse opening fire they abandoned the idea. A number of maps of Cape Colony were found. They had apparently been thrown away. Many horses were left behind. They were mostly quite stiff with hard riding. A farmer at Lilliefontein states that Steyn and De Wet were with the commando. He says that the former called at a farmhouse, and that he looks thoroughly miserable. The whole commando is desperately hungry."

THE BOERS, FIFTEEN HUNDRED STRONG, CROSSING THE ORANGE RIVER AT LILIEFONTEIN.

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THE WORLD OF PASTIME.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

BEATEN both by Wales and Ireland, it was really too much to hope that the English Rugby Union team would do well against Scotland, who had won each of the internationals she had played. The match decided last Saturday on the Blackheath F.C. ground—the Rectory Field—provided no pleasant surprise to Englishmen, but complete gratification to the Scottish contingent, including, of course, the players themselves. Upon their third success of the season

Scotland Should be Warmly Congratulated; it could not have been better deserved. The English forwards showed some excellent play, but their form was below that exhibited by the front division of the visitors. The latter did their work in a much quicker and more effective manner. Where, however, the teams were most strongly contrasting was behind the scrum. Gamin, the English full-back, played a sound game, tackling surely and kicking with judgment; the three-quarters worked hard, but their efforts were not of the same quality as was displayed by the

Scots, Whose Passing was Most Skilfully Performed.

At half-back England were hopelessly out of it with the opposing pair, and it was weakness at this point which helped to make the defeat one of severe description. Three times in the first half was the English goal-line crossed, and upon each occasion was a goal kicked. In the second half the game was equal so far as scoring went, as both sides obtained a try; but Scotland, though they played with less dash than before, were nearly always the better, and they eventually retired winners by 18 points to 3. The afternoon was cold but favourable, and there was a very large company of spectators, including

The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour and Lord Hugh Cecil,

who represents Greenwich in the House of Commons. Saturday's victory was the tenth gained by Scotland, and



THE ANNUAL HOCKEY MATCH BETWEEN THE LADIES OF ENGLAND AND WALES AT RICHMOND ON MARCH 6.

THE RESULT WAS A WIN FOR ENGLAND BY THIRTEEN GOALS (MISS LOCH SEVEN, MISS PHILPOTTS FIVE, AND MISS H. CARVER ONE) TO NINE.

will reach the penultimate round is more than probable. The

Second Division

is in almost as interesting condition as the First. Grimsby Town beat Blackpool on Saturday, and raised their points to 43, but they have played twenty-seven matches against the twenty-four of Small Heath and the twenty-five of Burnley, who stand respectively at 37 and 36. Small Heath, who have to meet Aston Villa in the third round of the Cup, could only draw with Stockport County, but it must be said that they played one of their best. Then Burnley were beaten by Gainsborough Trinity. Woolwich Arsenal, at home to Lincoln City, had to rest content with a draw. In the Southern League Bristol City had their colours lowered by Millwall; defeat was suffered by Portsmouth at the hands of Queen's Park Rangers; Bristol Rovers were victorious over Tottenham Hotspur; West Ham United could only manage a draw with New Brompton, while Reading, who, like Tottenham

1900. The race bids fair to be of far more interesting description than that of last year, but one will have to rise pretty early to see it.

Cross Country

The performances of A. Shrubbs, South London Harriers and Horsham Blue Star, have recently been much in the minds of athletes. Before the coming of the championship his records pointed to marked excellence, but he has taken many by surprise lately. The probability of his success in the Southern Championship was not overlooked, but the case with which it was accomplished upset all anticipations and made him a warm favourite for the National, which he won with still greater ease. On Saturday he assisted his Horsham club in the Sussex Championship, and both were first. He won, without much trouble, by 200 yards, and his club took first place with 98 points, Brighton and County Harriers being second with 79 points. The Yorkshire Championship was won by Leeds, with H. Lawson, one of their men, first home. Birchfield Harriers won the

TRAINING IN THE UPPER REACHES OF THE THAMES.



THE OXFORD CREW AT HENLEY.

NAMES AND WEIGHTS OF THE OXFORD CREW ON THEIR ARRIVAL AT HENLEY.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
F. O. J. Huntley, University (bow)	11 7½	H. J. Hale, Balliol	12 12
H. Du Vallon, Brasenose	12 0	F. W. Warre, Balliol	12 9
J. Younger, New	12 10	T. B. Etherington-Smith, Oriel	11 7
A. De L. Long, New	12 7	R. Culme-Seymour, New (stroke)	11 13
		G. S. MacLagan, Magdalen (cox.)	9 0

this gives them a majority of one, nine games having been drawn.

England v. Ireland (Association).

Southampton men cannot be said to have shown much enthusiasm over this international, for there were not 8000 persons on the ground. Nor was the game calculated to impress lookers-on with a very great idea of the importance of such matches. Perhaps the Englishmen missed G. O. Smith from the centre; they were certainly severely handicapped by the absence of Turner after the first half an hour. None the less, their play came not up to expectation, and it is significant that only three of the team have been chosen to play against Wales at Newcastle on March 18. The English forward division showed plenty of pace, but not a great deal of combination. The Irishmen were better at defence than attack, and up to within six minutes of the finish but one goal had been scored against them. During the time mentioned, however, two more goals were kicked for England, who won by three to none.

The League.

Each week adds to the interest in the matches of the League, as but comparatively few remain from now to the end of the season. The meeting of Saturday between Notts Forest and Sunderland had, of course, much significance, and a draw, as the result, left them level with 34 points each. Notts Forest, however, had played one match less than their rivals—26 against 27. Bury's success over Derby County meant a good deal, as, with 25 matches played, their score advanced to 31, the total also of Notts County (26 matches played), whose colours were lowered by Sheffield United. A win by Liverpool over Wolverhampton Wanderers left them with 29 points (25 matches played), and level with them stood, at the close of the day, Everton (26 matches played), despite defeat at the hands of Blackburn Rovers. Newcastle United (24 matches played) and Aston Villa (22) were level on Saturday evening with 28 points. The first-named were, to the surprise of most followers of the game beaten by Preston North End, who scored five goals against three, but the Villa achieved victory over Sheffield Wednesday, though somewhat narrowly—two to one. The list need not be followed any further, but it may be remarked that another defeat was sustained by West Bromwich Albion. This club is at the very bottom of the League list, but they are still in the running for the Association Cup, the third round of which takes place on March 23, and that they

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THE CAMBRIDGE CREW AT COOKHAM.

NAMES AND WEIGHTS OF THE LIGHT BLUES ON THEIR ARRIVAL AT COOKHAM.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
R. H. Nelson, Third Trinity (bow)	11 2	H. B. Grylls, First Trinity	12 6½
G. T. Western, Pembroke	12 1	E. F. Duncanson, Emmanuel	12 9
B. W. D. Brooke, First Trinity	11 11	G. M. Maitland, First Trinity	
C. W. H. Taylor, Third Trinity	12 8	(stroke)	12 3
G. Parker, First Trinity	12 8½	E. A. Jamieson, First Trinity (cox.)	8 6

Hotspur, are still in the Cup, were beaten by Luton. Who shall say that the glorious uncertainty is not present in football!

Southampton Beat the Corinthians.

but this was, of course, not a League affair, nor was it a very strong test of the capabilities of the professional team, for the amateurs had not the assistance of G. O. Smith, W. J. Oakley, C. B. Fry, R. E. Foster, C. F. Ryder, and others. There was certainly some smart work done in the match, though it proved very evanescent. The Corinthians put a good deal of life into their play, but there was too much individuality. Southampton played prettily, yet only occasionally did they appear to regard their task seriously. In the result theirs was the better score—three against two.

Inter-University Boat-Race.

Just a fortnight from the date of this week's issue the all-important event is to take place. The crews having reached the tideway, as our aquatic friends are wont to observe, meaning that they are practising on the waters on which they will race on March 30, the interest has increased tenfold, if not more. So far there have been practically none of the difficulties which beset Oxford last year, and the Dark Blues will go to the starting-point free from the feeling of depression which must arise from the thought that there is little chance of winning. During their stay at Henley as guests of Sir John Edwardes-Moss, the crew cannot be said to have given absolute satisfaction; but under the watchful eye of Mr. Harcourt Gold they made very satisfactory progress, and at times showed fine pace. Dr. Warre's short boat and Ayling's girder oars formed the subject of discussion, but nothing certain as to their use was possible until the crew arrived at Putney. We shall soon know now whether they are considered to be advantageous.

Cambridge

at Cookham were well looked after both on and off the river. Colonel Ricardo, their generous host, has been the recipient of many congratulations in consequence of the bestowal upon him by the King of the Victorian Order in consideration of the services the gallant Colonel recently rendered in connection with State functions. Mr. R. C. Lehmann, too, came in for much notice. He has been "pricked"—I think this is the correct term, though the pricking is no longer a chance affair, but dependent upon merit—High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire. The coach, Mr. S. D. Muttelbury, generally had plenty of company on the Hibernia, including the owner, Mr. R. H. Labat, Colonel Ricardo, Mr. W. Dudley-Ward, Mr. R. B. Etherington-Smith, Mr. R. G. Gridley, the new hon. secretary of the Amateur Rowing Association, and others. Like Oxford, the Light Blues put in some very excellent work at times, and there is little doubt that the crew is one of powerful character, though, perhaps, not equal in quality to those of 1899 and

Midland Counties Senior Championship, in which W. Day, Derby and County, finished at the head of the runners. Clydesdale Harriers won the Scottish Championship, with D. W. Mill, one of their runners, first man home.

London Business Houses.

Much interest is shown in this championship, victory in which carries with it temporary possession of the handsome challenge shield presented six years since by Mr. Carl Hentschel. For the race of Saturday at Walthamstow there were twelve clubs and eighty-one runners. R. Reeves was first home, and W. H. Cornelius second, and as both belong to Vickers, Son, and Maxim, it is, perhaps, superfluous to say that the team representing this house won. Thames Ironworks, whose men occupied respectively six, seventh, and eighth places, were second, and Great Eastern Railway, with A. W. Cook in third place, third. **BANSHEE.**



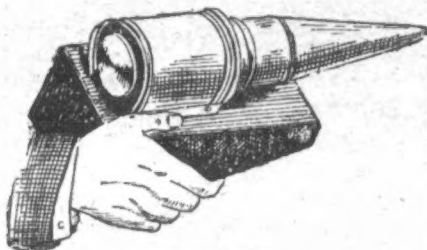
Tommy: "Mamma wished me to take lessons on the piano, but I coaxed her to let me have a fiddle."
Bobbie: "Do you like a fiddle better?"
Tommy: "No; but I think she'll get tired of that quicker than a piano."

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An Apiary Note.

SINCE giving a note on bee-keeping a week or two ago, other inquiries have reached me, and I am, therefore, pleased to add further details as to the equipment of the apiary. A smoker, such as the one illustrated, should certainly be bought, its use saving a lot of trouble, and there is no difficulty in its working. Lighted rags, brown paper, dried wood, or tobacco should be placed in the fuel-box, and, after working the bellows a few times, a vast quantity of smoke will issue from the chimney. Then blow a few good puffs into

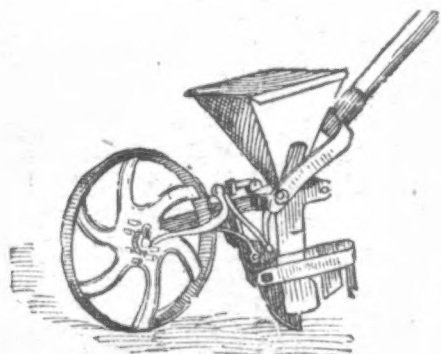


A BEE-SMOKER.

the entrance of the hive, tap the sides gently, and wait a few seconds; the quilt, etc., may then be removed. Blow on the top of the frame to make the bees retreat, and they may then be manipulated quite easily. There is now no fear of being stung, as the bees will have been rendered quite harmless, and may be handled with impunity.

Hand Seed-Drill.

A drill such as the one illustrated is certainly most useful, even in the smallest garden; as a matter of fact, it can be utilised by hand on ground over which larger drills have been already used, thus obviating the patchy growth of seed where parts of the land have been missed. Market-gardeners will find it especially useful; for very little, if any, seed is wasted when it is requisitioned, and



A HAND SEED-DRILL.

economy must be studied in these days. The seed is deposited in the hopper, and by simply pushing the drill along the ground the travelling-wheel gives a motion to a slide at the bottom of the hopper, and the seed falls through a tube situated behind the coulter, and drops into the soil. The seed, on the other hand, ceases to run through the moment the drill is lifted off the ground.

The Poultry-Yard in March.

Many more eggs will no doubt be set this month, and the poultry-keeper will find enough to do in attending to the chickens and looking after the stock birds and sitting hens or incubator. As many fowl, duck, geese, and turkey eggs as possible should be set, so that they may be hatched at the close of the month. As insects will now be making



A PARTRIDGE WYANDOTTE.

themselves troublesome, particular attention should be paid to the dust-bath, to keep it constantly renewed, and extra black sulphur added. The elder chickens must still be liberally and regularly fed, but only just as much food given at one time as they will readily pick up. Coops that have been used for the early chickens should be lime-whitened before receiving the second brood. In reply to a correspondent I give an illustration of a partridge Wyandotte, a sub-variety of the species anent which I had a note several weeks ago.

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SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 361.

1. B to Kt 4th. K to B 5th. 2. Q takes P, Mate.
1. " K to Q 4th. 2. B takes P, " etc.

PROBLEM No. 365.—By E. PRADIGNAT.

BLACK (Eight Pieces).



WHITE (Six Pieces).

White to play, and mate in two moves.

We append a game played in the Monte Carlo Tourna-ment between S. WINAWER and J. H. BLACKBURNE.

WHITE (Winawer).	BLACK (Blackburne).	WHITE (Winawer).	BLACK (Blackburne).
1. P to K 4th.	P to Q 4th.	21. Q to K 2nd.	Q R to B 1st.
2. K Kt to B 3rd.	Q Kt to B 3rd.	22. Kt to B 3rd.	Q to B 4th.
3. P to Q 4th.	P takes P.	23. B to K 3rd.	R to B 7th.
4. Kt takes P.	P to K 3rd.	24. R to Q 2nd.	R takes B.
5. Kt takes Kt.	Kt takes P.	25. Q takes R.	B takes K Kt P.
6. B to Q 3rd.	P to Q 4th.		
7. Q to K 2nd.			

While as a rule should develop the Queen's Knight early in this opening, there is no virtue in these early exchanges, or in playing Q to K 2nd. Once Black succeeds in playing P to Q 4th without harm he has an even game.

7. Kt to Q 2nd. Kt to B 3rd.
8. Castles. Kt to Q 2nd.
9. P takes P. Kt to Q 2nd.
10. Kt to B 3rd. Castles.
11. P to B 3rd. Kt to B 4th.
12. P to B 3rd. Kt to B 4th.

A good game. Black's object was to remain with two Bishops; the White Bishop cannot retire, for then Black plays P takes P, followed by B to B 3rd.

13. P takes P. Kt takes B.
14. Q takes Kt. B to K 2nd.

Another good developing move, which clearly shows that White did not do well in thus early bringing his Queen into the game.

15. P to Q 5th. B takes P.
16. R to Q 1st. B to Q 4th.
17. Kt to Kt 5th. P to Kt 3rd.
18. Q to K 3rd. P to K 4th.
19. Q to Q 3rd. B to K 4th.
20. P to K 4th. Q to B 3rd.

DRAUGHTS.

CORRECT SOLUTIONS OF PROBLEMS received from Captain Challice (Q.W.R.), F. Duckham, A. Payne, S. W. Frost, T. Harding, John E. Jones, Lewis Ide, Messrs. Lever, E. J. Parry, C. T. Record, S. Reeve, W. Smith, F. C. Spratt (simple but neat), F. S., A. H. Waller, and "No Name."

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 326.—By A. C. HAWES.

Black: 1, 3, 4, 5, 17, 18, 23, 28k.

White: 10, 11, 14, 27, 31, 12k, 21k.

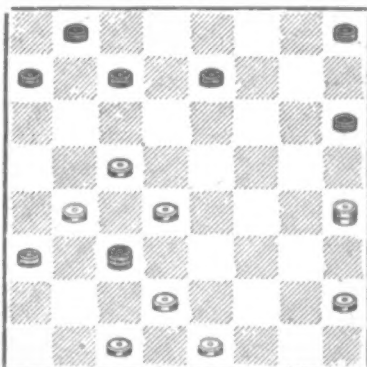
White to move, and win.

27-24	4-11	21-14	9-13	23-27
28-19	10-6	30-26	16-2	31-24
31-21	1-10	14-18	26-31	20-27
23-30	14-7	5-9	18-23	
11-8	3-10	12-16	13-17	W. wins.

PROBLEM No. 357.

By J. STRATTON (Catford).

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to move, and win.

GAME No. 578.

By "Two Holy Boys" (Santa Cruz).

"Defiance."

11-15	11-15	6-9	24-27a	27-23
23-19	19-16	27-23	16-11	21-18
9-14	12-19	9-14	27-31	23-16
27-23	13-16	24-20	11-4	18-9
8-11	7-11	15-24	31-27	16-19
32-27	16-7	28-19	23-19	9-55
4-8	2-11	11-15	15-24	28-24
22-18	27-23	19-16	4-8	5-1
15-22	9-13	15-19	24-28	24-27
25-9	23-18	30-26	8-11	1-5
5-14	14-23	10-15	28-32	27-23
19-25	26-19	15-12	11-16	26-21
6-9	1-6	19-24	32-28	19-15
25-22	31-27	20-16	16-19	B. wins.

(a) Corrects Game 254, where 14-7 allows a draw.

(b) If 25-22, 19-23 wins.

Notes by A. Chatters.

THE RACING WORLD.

THERE is much more life about the

Grand National Steeplechase than the Lincolnshire Handicap, though betting on the former is extremely light compared with previous years. As horses come out and run week by week, the prospect of seeing a field good in quality at Aintree on March 29 grows smaller and smaller. For anything like class, we shall have to depend on some of the old stagers.

Drumcree and Fanciful seem to be the best of the lot who have performed recently. There is Levanter too. He won in good form at Hurst Park, and as if, while his style of fencing had been improved, his capacity for plodding on were in no wise impaired.

I Liked Mr. George Edwardes's Horse

very much. He wanted a good bit of rousing, but he can stand plenty of that.

After Cushendun had beaten Parma Violet, most good judges made up their minds that he would not do for the Aintree country. But his pilot, Captain S. Under Davies, was of quite different opinion, and backed the horse. A gentleman who rode in the race told me that

Cushendun Improved Greatly

after going over a few jumps. That was so, no doubt; but at Liverpool a chaser wants to begin well and go that way all the while. On their form since Christmas

Neither Cushendun nor Covert Hack

can hold any chance of landing the Grand National, but the market does not say so. If you believe the story money tells, Covert Hack is quite a good thing. I expect to see Captain Eustace Loder's horse come to a short price. Those who were backing him recently were all very "hard heads," and as I read Monday's market, the Hack must have done something to please the stable a good deal.

An American Rider, James Owens,

would like a mount in the National. Perhaps there is room for an imported steeple-hase jockey or two; but there are not many of our own people doing much good in the business. As for the flat-racing division, they look like being ruined through imported labour, and it seems their line would be to take themselves over to the other side of the Atlantic to fill the places of Yankees who have emigrated here. Really the situation is very serious; for as one American after another announces his intention of trying his luck in this country, he finds a customer to retain him for his stable, and that to a great extent means taking the bread out of the mouth of an English jockey.

This season we shall be able to know whether success is due to their personal ability or to the pull given by the forward seat, for I expect that most of our own folk will adopt their method.

Morny Cannon Told Me

last summer that he intended to have a good go at the new-old fashion during the winter. He will ride either Fo fashire or Irish Ivy in the Lincolnshire Handicap. The mare must take a lot of beating if she can be brought fit and sound to the post. I wonder that more of our people were not crutching last season, for both Sam Loates and Kempton Cannon found the game paid. The curious part of it was that while these came forward, so did Sloan get nearer to the English fashion. Sometimes you could scarcely see any difference between him and Sam. The great

Difficulty with English Jockeys

in the Sloan posture is that they forget themselves, and will sit up when they want to help their horses in a finish, which is just the time when minimising wind-pressure is of most consequence. Maher is the prettiest rider of the invading army, and eminently the jockey for two-year-olds.

According to some of our friends in France there is fear of another dangerous invasion.

Jacobite II. and Jour de Fete,

who is backed occasionally, are talked of as likely to win the Derby. Volodyovski and Co. will, I think, be able to account for them. But then there are Americans coming too. I do wish that we could return the compliment, and appropriate some of their best stakes. BENDIGO.

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TIGER.—You should instruct a solicitor to do what is necessary. Something of the kind should be done.—LEX.

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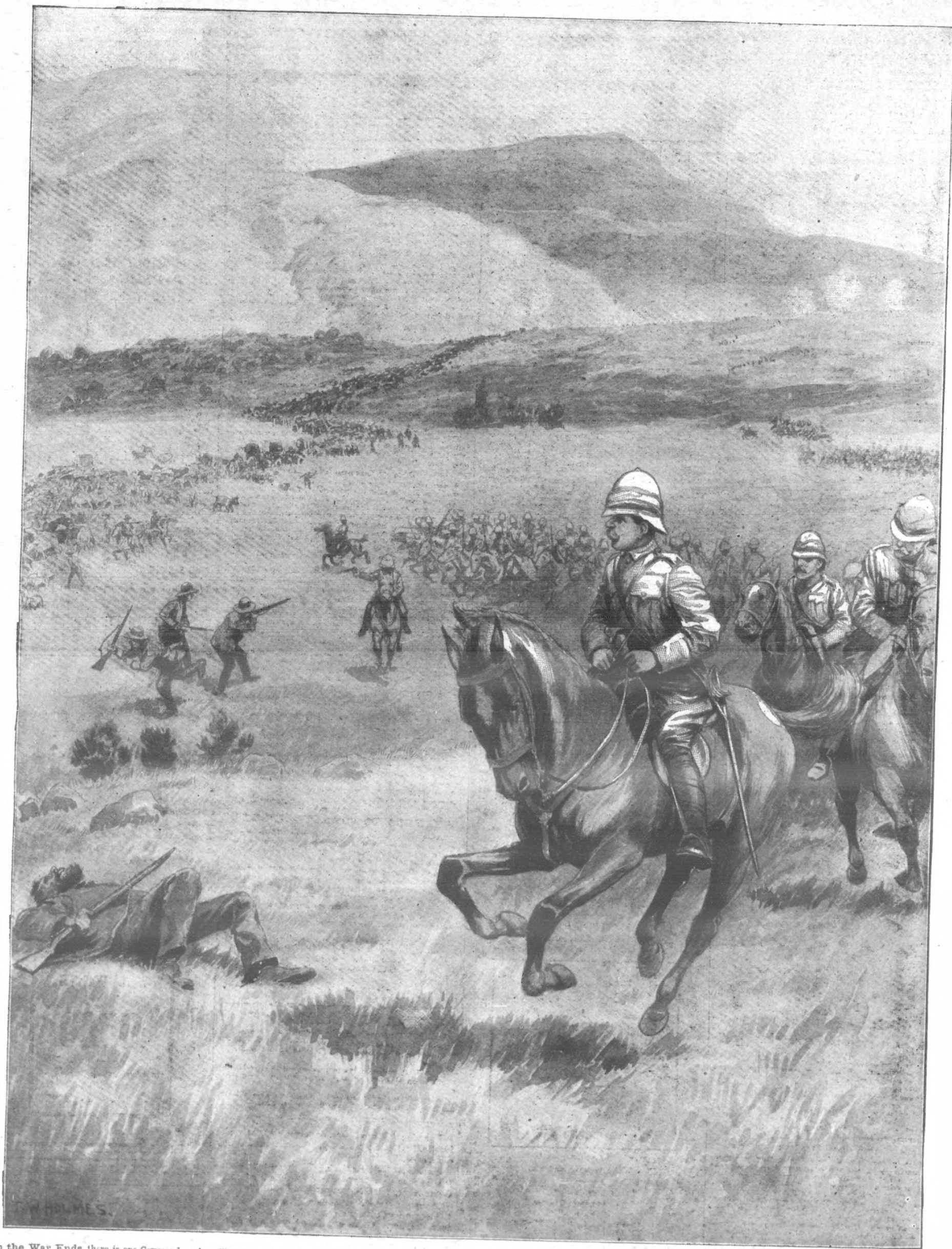
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Cupid Among the Typewriters.

By WILLIAM JAMES.

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"MISS WINNIE!"

No answer.

"Miss Meadows!"

"Well?"—frigidly.

"May I come in?"

"Is it business?"—dictatorially.

"Yes. Oh, yes. The office-boy—"

"Real business?"

"Yes. Oh, yes. The office-boy—"

"Come in, then," indifferently.

The young man closed the door carefully, and came forward to the counter which divided the visitors' portion of the office from the inner sanctum where Miss Winnie Meadows sat tapping a typewriter.

"The office-boy and the junior are both out, so the governor asked me would I mind bringing you these myself," he said, unrolling a bundle of documents on the counter. "He says will you kindly have them typed by to-morrow afternoon."

"Did he say kindly?"

"N-no. He didn't."

"Well, don't be irrelevant, Mr. Stainton. There are no 'kindlys' in real business. Please, dipped in vinegar—that's business."

She sat with her back to him, over at a long table—covered with a mass of papers and two typewriters—that stretched beneath a frosted window, from which the legend "Winifred Meadows, Typewriting Office," looked down into a dingy street behind the Strand. This was the third time he had bribed the office-boy—who had no objection to being paid for neglecting his duties—to let him take his place as messenger to Miss Meadows.

"Miss Winnie—er, Miss Meadows—there are some places where the handwriting is difficult. Can you spare a few moments while I explain it to you?"

"Not one. I'm typing a novel for an author who's in a hurry. I expect him here in half an hour for the seventh time to-day."

"Oh, I'm in no hurry, Miss Meadows—no hurry, I assure you. I'm out for lunch. I get an hour for lunch."

"Do you? How funny! I measure my lunch by bites, not time. I had thirteen bites yesterday—I forget now what of."

"Our governor's like you, Miss Meadows. He eats his lunch checking the cash-book."

"Haden't you better go and lunch and call back in half an hour or so, when I've finished with the author?"

"I've had lunch."

He hadn't. She guessed he hadn't. But she wasn't a bit sorry for him. It was only proper that at this stage of their acquaintanceship she should interfere with his appetite.

"Then you haven't time to wait. Your hour must be nearly up."

"Oh, I've plenty of time, Miss Meadows. I get an hour and a half on Thursdays."

"But this is Wednesday."

"Y-yes, it is, isn't it? Well, you see, I'm taking the hour and a half to-day instead of to-morrow."

"If you must wait, you'd better come inside, near the fire."

He thanked her incoherently. It was on his lips to say she was the fire that was burning his heart, or something like that, but he was afraid.

"Miss Meadows," he said hesitatingly, "our typewriter will be back from the repairer in the morning. So—"

"So what?" she demanded.

"I'm afraid we'll be doing our own typewriting again."

"Oh, you needn't be afraid for me," she said proudly. "It's rather a relief. I really don't know how I'll get through the work I have in hand already."

"I—I didn't mean that. I meant that there won't be any need for me—no, I didn't mean that, either—I meant that I suppose I mustn't call here any more, now there's no more business to call about, unless—unless—"

"Not the slightest need," she said pleasantly.

"Unless—," he persisted desperately.

"The author will be here very soon. The minute he's gone I'll look over the work you've brought, and you can get back to your desk. I'm sure you've been away longer than an hour and a half—now, haven't you?"

"Miss Meadows, I often pass this way when I'm out to lunch. May I—may I—"

"Don't speak to me," she commanded. "I've only ten minutes to do half a chapter."

"May I help you?" he stammered, scrambling out of the bog of emotion on to the safe ground of common-sense.

She threw him a blank sheet of paper and a page of the author's manuscript. He set to work on the second typewriter. He got through it pretty quickly, and asked for another.

She handed him another blank sheet and another page of the novel, and took a supervising glance over the work he had done.

"Oh, Mr. Stainton," she cried, checking his arm, "please, please don't make any mistakes!"

He flushed, and following her gaze to where her finger pointed, read—

"I must see you. I must be near you. If you forbid me, I'll break the typewriter again."

The truth staggered him. The first two sentences and part of the third were in the author's manuscript, but in the last four words he had unconsciously typed his own thoughts.

"I'm—very—sorry," he said, his eyes retreating before hers. "I hope I haven't spoiled the whole sheet."

The meaning of his mistake dawned on her now. A new light came into her face as she stared at him.

"You—you broke the typewriter?" she said, leaning toward him out of her chair, then drawing back abruptly.

"Yes," he answered, facing her with a tremendous effort.

"Why?" It was ridiculously obvious why, but she was determined he should tell her with his lips.

"You won't speak to me in the street, you won't listen to me, you always pass me by as if—as if I was anyone else. I knew if I came here to your office on business, you'd have to speak to me and listen to me too. So I—"

"Have to?"

"—broke our typewriter, and took it to the repairer myself, and told them to take their time over it, and they—"

He finished, and somehow it pleased her that he would not allow her to silence him.

"Would anything happen if it were found out?"

"A week's notice to leave. Perhaps a fortnight. The governor doesn't believe in us mixing our private affairs with his business."

"Does anyone know you broke the machine?"

"Only the office-boy."

"But it might get about. You never know."

"I don't care! Oh, Miss Meadows, if you only—if you only knew—"

He got through the second page without a mistake, laid his work before her, and asked for more. She took no notice. As he sat eyeing her on the quiet, and trying in vain to muster up courage enough to tell her what was in his heart, a brilliant idea came to him. These two pages he had copied were part of a love scene; every line, every word, every comma breathed of love, love, love, and nothing but love; and yet he had set them down without a tremor of hand or pulse. There was something wonderfully nerve-strengthening in typewriting.

He took another blank sheet, slipped it quietly into the machine, and typed along the top, in capitals: "I love you. Will you have me?"

"I don't see that in the manuscript I gave you, Mr. Stainton. I do wish you'd be careful."

Her calm stare overwhelmed him. He looked over guiltily at the two pages of manuscript which she was holding out for his inspection. Just underneath was a sheet of paper in her typewriter, and on it was the word "Yes," underlined.

His heart leaped, his brain whirled. Now or never! He jumped off his chair and made a grab at the page of the novel which she was typing.

"What are you looking for?" she asked. She saw that his hand was steady, his eye quick, his mouth firm.

"I'm looking to see if that 'Yes' is in the novel."

"It must be if I've typed it."

"But it isn't."

"Are you quite sure?"

"Quite."

"Then it must be one of those dreadful pessimistic novels. I won't do any more work for this author. There ought to be a woman's 'Yes' in every novel."

"So there ought." He laid down the author's page, and looked her hard in the eyes. "Is there one in mine?"

"If it isn't in the novel, I'd better tear it up, hadn't I?"

She took the sheet out of the machine and held it in the air. On her face was the first smile he had ever seen there.

He took a step toward her. "Is there one in mine?" he said again.

"Stupid, can you read?" she cried, holding the paper up against his eyes.

"Winifred . . . Winnie," he gasped, stretching out his arms.

But she sprang away from him, and put the chair between them.

"Sir, I utterly, emphatically, and indignantly decline to be proposed to on a typewriter!"

"I love you. Will you have me?" he said fervently, finding his voice at last.

She whisked the chair aside, and stood ready for his embrace. But a sudden marvellous boldness came to him, born of her surrender.

"And I utterly, emphatically, and indignantly decline to be accepted on a typewriter!"

She laughed. "Yes, yes, yes," she said, her voice rising crescendo. "Will that satisfy you?"

He caught her in his arms and kissed her. It all seemed surprisingly easy to him now.

"Why didn't you have me before?" he said.

"Because—because—oh, well, because—"

she said.

"Tell me why."

"Are you really out to lunch, Alfred? Do you really get an hour and a half one day in the week? Did the governor send you here, or did you get leave from the office-boy?"

"I'm not out to lunch, I never get an hour and a half, and the governor doesn't know I'm out of the office. But if I'd told you this when I came you wouldn't have let me stay. Winifred, do tell me why you didn't have me before?"

The broken typewriter, the risk of absence from the office, the lies he had told and would have to tell—all for her sake. He was more than a clerk, after all; he was a man who could dare. She was glad he belonged to her.

Still, it was not yet time to tell him so. Praise that is good for a husband is bad for a lover.

"I've—I've told you," she said, kissing his question away.

THE END.

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Grey and Mauve Tulle, and areophanes, chiffons, and mouselines are largely employed now in the building of toques and hats. It has become a necessity that the toque should be expressed in transparencies owing to their bulky architecture, or they would, in solid materials, be unsupportable for the ordinary head. Many of the new hat-shapes again are in *crin-straw*, very light, but capable of more definite shape than the diaphanous fabrics can attain.

A Dainty Spring Hat of white *crin*, somewhat on the *Toreador* shape, is shown in my first sketch. It is tilted up on the left side, and there filled in with clusters of mauve double violets. These are repeated on the crown and caught by butterfly bows of mauve panne. Having made the acquaintance of all the newest models in jackets, coats, and coatees, I have come to the conclusion that, for dressy wear, there is nothing prettier than the coatees of black silk or velvet, overlaid with black silk appliqué, and edged with a *ruche* of black chiffon.

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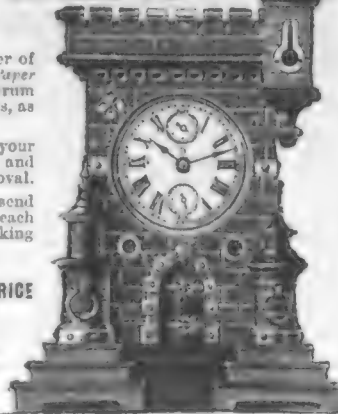
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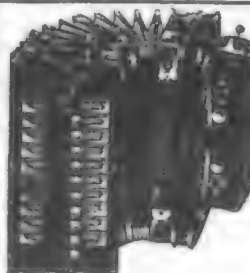
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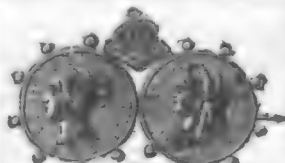
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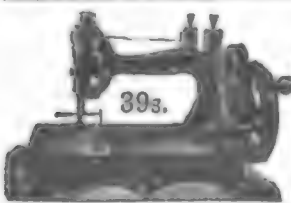
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THE WORLD OF WOMEN.

BON VOYAGE!

ALL readers of *The Penny Illustrated Paper* will, I know, join me in wishing a hearty God-speed and safe return home again to the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, who start on Saturday, March 16, upon their prolonged tour through a considerable portion of that Empire upon which the sun never sets. It will be close upon the end of the year before they are among us again, with a store of memories to look back upon of which few Royal personages can boast. Indeed, no such tour as theirs has ever been made before, and the

Enthusiastically Loyal Peoples of Australia and New Zealand,

Tasmania, Canada (where the Royal visitors will remain a whole month), and other Colonies are preparing welcomes which will be worthy of Greater Britain.

For weeks past the huge wardrobe which the Duchess will require during her absence has been preparing, and a specially beautiful gown is that which will be

Worn by Her Royal Highness

at the opening of the first Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth. It is made of black gauze with a train brocaded in a beautiful design of leaves and flowers. The bodice is made with soft folds across the front, and at the left side the folds are confined with a jet ornament. There is a yoke embroidered with small jet beads, and the head and neck are becomingly framed in a high transparent collar. The mantle to be worn with this dress is made of black velvet, circular in shape, and it is trimmed all round with a fringe of rich lace. It is lined with pure white satin, and long ends of white chiffon, frilled at the ends, fall from the throat. Almost all the evening dresses are made of gauze or satin, and jet appears upon all the trimmings. There is no white except on the mantle described above. There is

A Very Pretty Dress of Black Moire,

which is cut in the style known as Princess; it crosses over from right to left from neck to hem, and is bordered with jet trimming. The Duchess seems to favour the crossed folds upon her bodice, and she is wise enough to keep to a style which becomes her, quite irrespective of the dictates of fashion.

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English and Irish Manufacture

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THE NEW AND POPULAR INDOOR GAME OF "PING-PONG."

(See Page 110.)

have not been able to gather any notes about the hats, toques, bouquets, or mantles which will be worn by the Royal traveller; but next week I may perhaps be able to describe some of them.

Meantime, I commend to the notice of my readers all the world over Miss Alice Hughes's charming new portrait of the sweetly fair young

Princess who is accompanying the gallant sailor-Prince on his travels.

General Mourning is Over,

for, although there is supposed to be a period set aside for slight mourning, not many women will confine themselves to the wearing of black and white; and if only we have anything like real spring weather during March, I predict that many pretty-coloured frocks will be seen. It was quite right and fitting that there should be general mourning in which no colours were allowed to appear; but the slight mourning period will not be generally noticed, except, of course,

In Court Circles,

and full Court mourning will last for six months. I hear, on good authority, that trade has not suffered, as was predicted by those who take mournful and pessimistic views of everything, from the six weeks' mourning; in fact, the orders for gay spring goods have never been greater. It is acknowledged by experts in the drapery trade that orders for spring goods were actually in excess in January of this the first year of the century to what they were in the same month of 1900. I am glad to hear this, for our trade cannot be allowed to decrease, and I am glad also to know that the streets of our noble but rather dingy capital will now

Look Gay and Bright Again.

It would not surprise me if the black toques and hats were worn with coloured dresses; but as black on the head is always more distinguished than colour, the wearers of the black headgear will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are well dressed. I should think that all shades of grey will be very much in evidence this spring. It is a pretty colour, but rather cold for our sunless climate, and when it verges on slate it is positively ugly. Soft dove and pale lavender are charming when the sun shines and the air is soft and warm. There are

Beautiful Shades of Violet

to be seen at present. That colour is better without sun, for it fades easily, and if of a rich tint it looks rather glaring in the sunshine. There are very pretty black-and-white mixtures to be bought just now, but if black-and-white material is not exactly right it is very ugly indeed. In Paris they are wearing blouses made of tulle. The material is called tulle, but I fancy that if we were to examine it we should find that it was fine net. I am told that

The Black Blouses

made of this net, or tulle, are quite charming, and much more elegant than chiffon. I can easily believe that, for ordinary chiffon, which always looks a somewhat rusty black, is not pretty upon anything; but there is a brilliant black chiffon which would look well

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Are my readers aware how well black looks over certain shades of grey? It must not be too dark, and its surface must not be dull. If it is the right shade, it is prettier than white or any colour except, perhaps, blue. I hear that *crépon* will be again in vogue during the summer. I hope so. It is a very pretty material, if it is not



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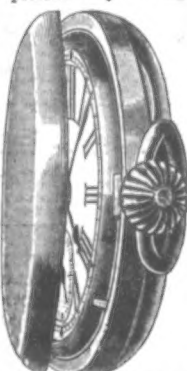
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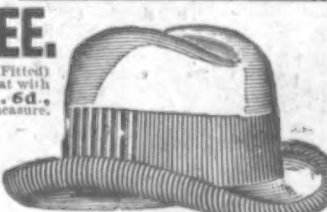
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"Ping-Pong."

This, the latest indoor game, has taken popular fancy by storm. Though it has only been out a short time, several ping-pong clubs have already been started.

It is best described as "table-tennis." A net about seven inches high is stretched across a fair-sized table, as sketched by a P.I.P. Artist. The racquets are similar to battledores, and the ball is made of celluloid. The game is so fast and energetic that only two players engage at a time. There are no courts marked; the limit of the table's size forming a simple court, and the scoring is the same as in tennis. After dinner the favourite answer to "What shall we do?" is

"Let's Play Ping-Pong."

A hurried clearing of the table, and the game is soon started. There are few sounds, except applause and laughter, and the incessant "ping" and "pong" of the racquet striking the ball

(hence the name), until someone inadvertently glances at the clock, with a disappointed "Goodness, look at the time!"

Medical students, who are very keen about the game, have had a special silent gut racquet made, so as not to disturb the patients in hospital.

I am sure every lover of sweet verse will unite with me in thanking Winifred E. Heard for her latest poem—

Primroses.

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I see you pass through city street,
Primroses in your hand;
So near I am, the fragrance sweet
Of blooms of our fair land
Is wafted to me as you pass.
"My beautiful," I say,
"Do you remember 'mid the grass,
We gathered them that day?"

The blushes dye your face again,
You hear my words, I know;
For you have waited in the rain.
The days of long ago
Have still the power to move you, dear,
My love's remembered still.
The words I whispered in your ear
That day upon the hill.

The thistle from the orchard wall
Was singing long and loud
An answer to the blackbird's call;
And now, amid a crowd,
I meet you; see the blushes rise
And know the end of pain,
For love is glowing in those eyes
I once had sought in vain.

Souvenirs of Queen Victoria

take many shapes, but I have heard of none more acceptable as gifts than the elegant memorial watches and tasteful brooches made by Messrs. J. N. Masters, the well-known firm of jewellers of Rye, Sussex. To indicate how highly the watches are appreciated in high circles, it may be mentioned that Messrs. Masters have received orders for them from H.R.H. the Princess of Schaumburg-Lippe and from Miss Knollys, Queen Alexandra's Private Secretary. The memorial brooches, containing good portraits of her late Majesty, are similarly popular. Messrs. J. N. Masters, who also designed the Queen's Jubilee and Diamond Jubilee brooches, and are known as the "Veracity Watchmakers," have a rich store of New Century novelties in the jewellery line, temptingly sketched in their ample

catalogue, which may be had on application to Messrs. Masters, Rye, Sussex.

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is a remarkably good booklet of views of the Metropolis, serviceable and cheap, and particularly handy as a visitor's guide. Price one penny, "Pictorial London" is sold by Simpkin, Marshall, and Co., 317, Strand; and will be forwarded to any address on receipt of a penny stamp by the Hovis Bread-Flour Company, Limited, of Macclesfield.

In reply to "Evito," or some such name, I am very sorry to be obliged to tell her that the verses she sent me cannot with truth be called poetry. The ideas are pretty enough, but the form is very bad—not poetical in any respect. The writer must study long and hard before she can write, and to publish her efforts would be madness. Let her read the work of the best poets, and she will see how far short she falls even of the least good among them. To be able to write verses is not to write poetry. It is not all poetry that comes out in the World of Literature. I wish it were; but the verses are tuneful and pretty.

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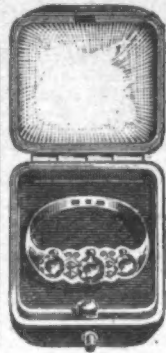
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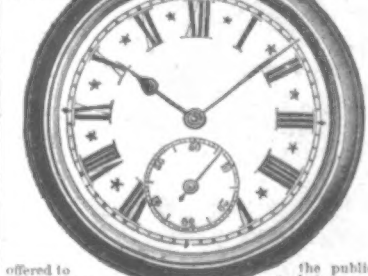


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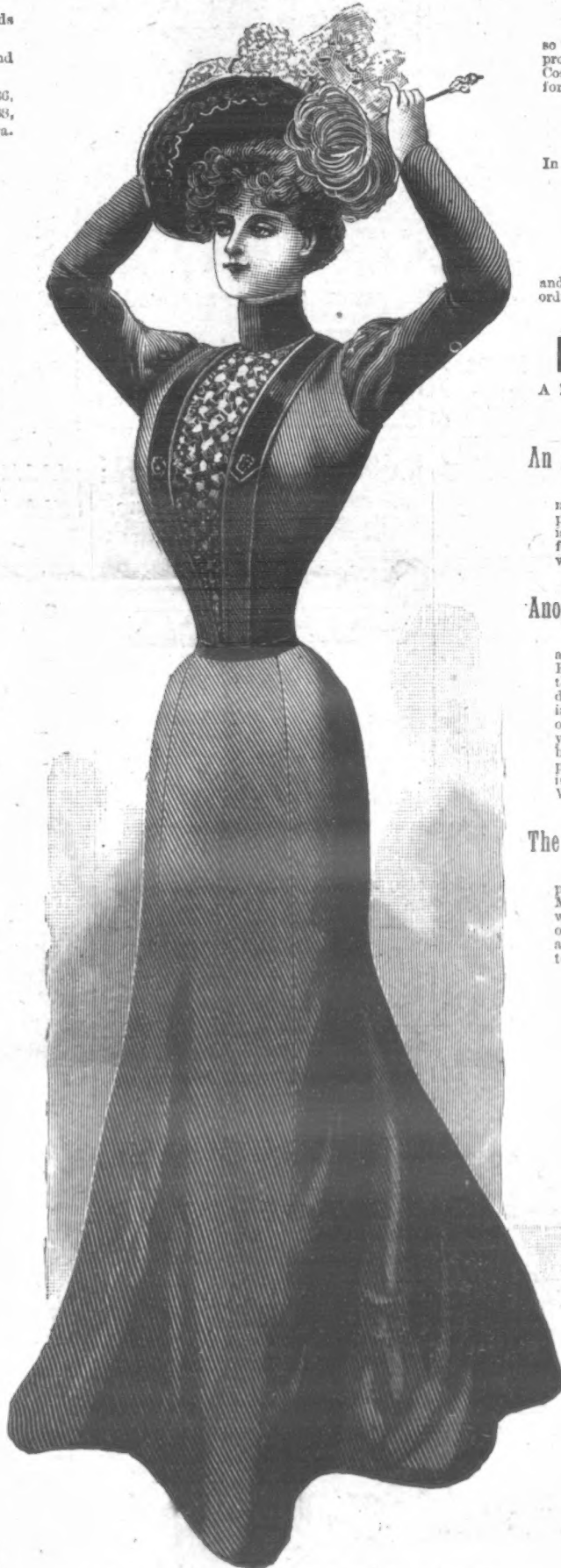
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